

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment seeks to add a cross-reference to related applications and an abstract of the disclosure to the specification. Further, the claims have been amended to remove improper multiple dependencies, and otherwise comply with U.S. patent law and practice. Still further, the claims have been amended along the lines of the amended claims annexed to the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER); see, in particular, amended claim 1. The larger number of total claims results from avoidance of multiple dependencies. The new claims are based on the original ones and do not introduce new matter into the application.

Upon entry of these amendments, claims 4 and 6-8 will be canceled and claims 1-3, 5 and 9-36 will be in the application.

Entry of these amendments prior to examination of the accompanying 35 U.S.C. § 371 application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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